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TIMBER CUTTINGS, JANUARY-JUNE, 1973, WITH COMPARISONS

Sawlogs cut in Louisiana during the first five months of 1973 totaled 416,327,000 board feet. This volume represents a decrease of 8.5 percent compared with the same period a year ago but is 2 percent more than the previous five-year average.

The pulpwood cut of 1,420,000 cords through June of this year is 3.2 percent more than last year and 33.4 percent greater than the 1966-71 average.

An additional 5,584,000 board feet of sawtimber and 27,037 cords of pulpwood were severed under Reforestation Contracts.

MARKET SUMMARY, SECOND QUARTER, 1973

SAWLOGS. Stumpage prices paid for pine averaged \$83.71 per thousand board feet for the second quarter of this year. This is a 10 percent increase over the previous quarter's average and 31 percent higher than the average price paid during the same quarter of 1972. Hardwood stumpage compared with last quarter's average showed price increases ranging from 9 to 14 percent for Oaks and Gums.

POLES. There were no significant price changes reported for poles for the current quarter.

PULPWOOD. Pine pulpwood averaged \$4.90 per cord stumpage and \$21.75 F.O.B. Car. Stumpage prices were about unchanged from the previous quarter while F.O.B. Car prices averaged \$1.00 higher.

WOOD CHIPS. A wide range in prices were reported for wood chips. Pine chips sold from \$7.10 to \$8.20 per ton, F.O.B. sawmill with some priced lower and higher. Hardwoods ran from \$7.00 to \$8.55.

During the April-June quarter, the following U.S.D.A. Forest Service Sales for Kisatchie National Forest were reported:

SAWLOGS			PULPWOOD	
Specie	MBF <u>1/</u>	Ave. Price Dollars/MBF	Cords	Ave. Price Dollars/Cord
SYP	15,060	139.22	21,723	6.89
Mx. Hdwd.	326	39.21	2,672	2.15

1/ Scribner-Decimal "C" Rule

VERAGE PRICES PAID TO LOUISIANA TIMBER PRODUCERS BY TYPES OF INDUSTRIES, APRIL-JUNE, 1973
WITH COMPARISONS

						<u>STATE AVERAGE</u>			
						Apr.-Jun. 1973	Previous Quarter	Same Period	
(A)	Sawlogs (Stumpage)	Area 1 (Dollars)	Area 2 (Dollars)	Area 3 (Dollars)	Area 4 (Dollars)	Area 5 (Dollars)	(Dollars)	(Dollars)	(Dollars)
	Pine M.Bd.Ft.	87.75	75.00	82.00	82.50	1/	83.75	75.95	63.80
	Cypress "	31.65	-	43.10	1/	32.80	37.10	30.15	28.95
	Red Oak "	26.60	33.75	28.25	1/	33.55	29.90	27.20	22.00
	White Oak "	27.50	1/	27.80	1/	25.00	28.15	25.85	20.25
	Sweet Gum "	27.20	33.75	29.25	1/	34.15	30.40	27.20	22.60
	Tupelo Gum"	27.50	40.00	28.45	1/	33.75	30.95	27.15	22.55
	Black Gum "	32.00	1/	31.25	1/	1/	32.00	28.45	21.30
	Willow "	29.35	27.65	29.15	1/	27.00	28.60	27.90	22.30
	Ash "	32.00	1/	32.50	1/	49.00	37.90	36.25	26.60
	Cottonwood"	29.35	36.65	31.65	1/	32.00	32.65	30.85	26.25
	Mixed Hardwoods"	30.00	31.65	32.50	1/	30.00	31.00	27.55	21.90
(B)	Sawlogs (Delivered)								
	Pine M.Bd.Ft.	119.05	118.30	111.30	116.65	1/	115.90	105.00	89.60
	Cypress "	62.35	86.65	76.65	1/	64.80	72.05	64.80	67.25
	Red Oak "	58.60	74.20	59.50	1/	70.00	64.45	59.85	56.00
	White Oak "	59.95	66.50	63.15	1/	58.55	61.80	56.70	56.40
	Sweet Gum "	59.95	74.20	61.50	1/	67.15	64.75	59.90	57.10
	Tupelo Gum"	60.50	82.75	58.65	1/	67.50	65.85	59.50	57.00
	Black Gum "	65.90	67.25	63.75	1/	58.75	64.95	59.55	56.15
	Willow "	64.10	72.25	1/	1/	60.00	65.25	63.05	57.50
	Ash "	65.90	94.00	65.00	1/	79.15	76.00	68.80	61.75
	Cottonwood"	64.10	79.00	1/	1/	64.15	68.70	65.85	61.50
	Mixed Hardwoods"	62.60	76.50	65.00	1/	66.25	67.35	61.65	59.50
<u>Poles, Barky (FOB Plant or Concentration Point) - Each -</u>									
30-Ft. Class	5.	5.65	1/	5.80	1/	1/	5.90	5.95	4.30
"	6.	5.30	1/	5.20	1/	1/	5.35	5.25	3.80
"	7.	4.05	1/	4.30	1/	1/	4.30	4.30	3.30
35-Ft. Class	4.	11.35	1/	10.60	1/	1/	11.00	10.55	8.50
"	5.	11.15	1/	9.95	1/	1/	10.45	10.30	8.05
"	6.	8.15	1/	7.65	1/	1/	8.00	7.55	5.50
"	7.	1/	1/	5.80	1/	1/	5.65	6.30	4.00
40-Ft. Class	2.	1/	1/	17.25	1/	1/	16.75	16.75	12.55
"	3.	16.80	1/	15.05	1/	1/	15.90	15.75	11.65
"	4.	14.95	1/	13.50	1/	1/	14.25	14.05	11.20
"	5.	13.50	1/	11.85	1/	1/	12.75	12.50	10.00
"	6.	10.60	1/	9.85	1/	1/	10.25	10.30	7.55
45-Ft. Class	2.	1/	1/	19.45	1/	1/	18.65	19.25	14.75
"	3.	18.55	1/	17.05	1/	1/	18.25	18.00	14.25
"	4.	16.60	1/	15.45	1/	1/	16.45	16.30	13.05
"	5.	15.15	1/	13.60	1/	1/	14.75	15.00	11.50
50-Ft. Class	2.	22.55	1/	22.50	1/	1/	22.50	21.90	17.95
"	3.	21.40	1/	20.20	1/	1/	21.50	21.90	17.35
"	4.	18.55	1/	18.20	1/	1/	18.35	18.35	14.65
55-Ft. Class	2.	32.20	1/	32.00	1/	1/	32.10	32.05	25.75
"	3.	29.35	1/	28.25	1/	1/	29.40	29.80	24.65
"	4.	21.80	1/	21.40	1/	1/	21.55	21.55	17.80
60-Ft. Class	2.	41.10	1/	38.45	1/	1/	39.60	39.60	34.15
"	3.	37.60	1/	35.10	1/	1/	37.15	36.15	31.50
65-Ft. Class	2.	56.15	1/	55.95	1/	1/	56.05	56.15	47.65
"	3.	49.70	1/	49.05	1/	1/	50.30	49.30	43.85
70-Ft. Class	2.	68.60	1/	65.00	1/	1/	66.55	66.50	56.60
"	3.	61.20	1/	59.10	1/	1/	60.00	60.00	52.60
75-Ft. Class	2.	89.40	1/	80.75	1/	1/	84.45	84.40	71.35
"	3.	78.60	1/	70.60	1/	1/	74.05	74.10	64.60
80-Ft. Class	2.	106.30	1/	100.25	1/	1/	102.85	102.80	89.00
"	3.	94.50	1/	86.75	1/	1/	90.05	90.05	79.10

STATE AVERAGE								
						Apr.-Jun. 1973	Previous Quarter	Same Period Year Ago
3. Pulpwood, Per Cord:	Area 1 (Dollars)	Area 2 (Dollars)	Area 3 (Dollars)	Area 4 (Dollars)	Area 5 (Dollars)	(Dollars)	(Dollars)	(Dollars)
Pine, Stumpage	5.10	5.25	5.15	4.00	1/	4.90	5.00	4.70
Pine, FOB Car	21.60	1/	21.60	1/	21.85	21.75	20.75	19.10
Hardwood, Mixed Stumpage	2.15	2.20	2.15	3.00	1/	2.35	2.25	2.05
Hardwood, Mixed FOB Car	1/	1/	1/	1/	21.65	21.35	19.95	19.00
Hardwood, Woods Run Stumpage	1.80	1.75	2.00	2.40	2.25	2.05	1.95	1.80
Hardwood, Woods Run FOB Car	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/	19.00	17.75	17.05

1/ Insufficient number of quotes to report by area, but included in state average.

2/ Data not comparable.

Note: The Doyle log scale is basis for board feet measurement of this report.

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